

FISCAL NOTE

HB 946 - SB 1720

April 2, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Correction (DOC) to reimburse all counties housing felony detainees, alleged probation violators and convicted felons in local jails at a minimum rate of \$50 per day or actual cost, whichever is greater.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$234,441,100

Increase Local Govt. Revenues - \$234,441,100

Assumptions:

- Currently 8,241 inmates are being housed in county facilities awaiting trial at a cost of \$122,341,288. Counties are currently reimbursed at actual cost with a maximum of \$35.00 per day. DOC estimates an increase in state expenditures of \$39,750,870 if the payment rate is increased to \$50.00 per day.
- The increase in state expenditures to reimburse all counties for pretrial detainees, including probation violators is estimated to be \$194,690,194 based on a minimum of \$50.00 per day or actual cost. The average daily reimbursement rate would be approximately \$72.21 per day ($\$194,690,194 \div 2,696,050 = \72.21).
- Total increase in state expenditures and local government revenues would be \$234,441,064.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director